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A Knotty Question

Manitoba Government Is Wrestling With the Subject of Prohibition.

Opposition Paper Says Cabinet Is at Loggerheads Over the Problem.

But Press Despatch Reports a More Amicable State of Affairs.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 21.—(Special).—The Free Press tonight: "Matters in connection with the Liquor act are fast approaching a crisis and a hastening incident occurred this morning.

Premier Roblin and his colleagues, who were to meet a deputation representing the liquor interests this morning, met in council instead. The session was of brief duration, but of considerable importance. The Premier, with his colleagues, gathered around him, outlined a proposition to the effect that a compensation clause should be added to the act, and that this clause should be submitted to the people in the form of a referendum. This he thought would solve the question and help the government out of its difficulty. (The Premier was supported in this view by his bosom friend of the cabinet, Hon. Robt. Rogers.

"The Attorney-General, however, headed a revolt immediately, and was sustained by Hon. S. Davidson and McFadden. It is understood that some very high and vigorous language was used by Mr. Roblin when the matter was being discussed and finally the meeting broke up in a row."

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 21.—A delegation representing liquor interests of the city, consisting of Messrs. E. L. Drewery, Fred. Drewery, G. F. Galt, E. G. Beliveau, A. Strange, T. Montgomery, George Velle and J. L. Philpott, waited on Premier Roblin this morning with the object of learning the government's plan in regard to liquor act.

The Premier informed the delegation that he and his colleagues had been so busy with other pressing matters that they had not had time to go into the question. He also intimated that it would be premature to enter upon any discussion at present. (The delegation then withdrew and they will probably meet next week the members of the provincial government by arrangement.

E. L. Drewery, interviewed this afternoon, said he was quite satisfied at the Premier's intimation. (This was a question involving great interests, and it was only right that the government should have ample time for its full consideration.

DENIAL BY SIR WILFRID

Story That He Had Volunteered as Mediator For Boer War Absurd.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Dec. 21.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier denies most emphatically the story credited to Labouchere's "Truth," that he had offered his services as mediator in bringing about an end to the Boer war. The Premier has instructed his private secretary to authorize all newspaper men inquiring about it to deny the story, which he said "is too absurd for serious consideration for the moment."

The report that the United States had ceded Pyramid harbor to Canada, was referred to the Premier this morning. Sir Wilfrid simply said there was "Nothing in it."

ROSSLAND OUTPUT.

Shipments From the Mines For the Past Week.

Rossland, B. C., Dec. 21.—The shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending tonight, are 6,050 tons, divided as follows: Le Roi, 4,400 tons; Great Western, 300 tons; Le Roi, No. 2, 1,350 tons. The total for the year up to date is 280,543 tons. Operations have been partially suspended at the Kootenay mine for a few days, but the property will start again with a full force on the 26th instant, when necessary changes in the pipe lines will be finished and the mine will be put in operation. Underground work is to start at the War Eagle on Monday or Tuesday. The Centre Star mine crew has been increased to 130 men.

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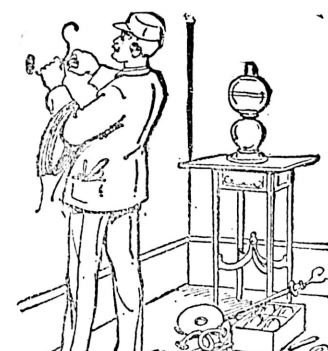
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CANADIAN IRON.

Will Enable Old Country to Compete With Foreigners.

Glasgow, Dec. 21.—Messrs. Stewart, Glasgow, have just received from the east iron pipe makers, have ordered 20,000 tons of Newfoundland iron from the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., at prices which is believed will enable them to compete with the American and German makers.

MARCONI.

Sails For England on Monday From St. John's.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 20.—Marconi announced tonight that according to his present plans he will sail for England next Monday on the Allan liner Strathlin. The inventor has packed his entire wireless apparatus and will take with him that portion which cannot be used here. The remainder he will leave here in readiness for his return in a month or two.

ANOTHER REVOLT.

Rising in Venezuela Against President Castro.

Willemstad, Island of Curacao, Dec. 21.—General Luciano Mendosa, president-elect of the State of Curacao, Senor Antonio Fernandez, war minister under President Andrade, and Senor Latorovsky, war minister in President Crispo's former cabinet, rebelled on Thursday against President Castro, near La Victoria. The revolutionists reached Cagua on the way to Vitta De Cura, where their partisans concentrated from all the surrounding districts. The movement, it is asserted, has long been premeditated, and is in accord with the plan of General Matos, who is expected at Martinique tomorrow. It is considered a terrible blow against President Castro, who, immediately upon hearing of the uprising, despatched troops from Maracaibo by rail, but found the lines destroyed at Cagua. Traffic on the Cagua and Maracaibo lines have been cut. Another uprising is reported to have taken place near Valencia, and it is said that the entire country is ready to take up arms against the administration of President Castro. The government censorship is strictly enforced. Official circles in Caracas consider the Mendoza movement an extremely serious one, and fear that other uprisings will occur.

PANAMA CANAL COMPANY.

Exciting Time at Meeting of Shareholders in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 21.—"Get the United States to buy the canal at any price in order to save our money," seemed to be the prevalent feeling and gist of the speeches at today's meeting of the Panama Canal company's shareholders. About 250 shareholders were present, including a number of ladies. In the absence of M. Hulín, a shareholder presided. A storm broke immediately after the report had been read. The shareholders were greatly excited by the news that M. Hulín had resigned and demanded explanation of what had occurred at the meeting of the board at which he had resigned. The chairman's delay in replying to questions led to vituperations, which were launched at the heads of the directors by several shareholders whose modest attire indicated that they had been severely suffered on account of the Panama failure. Eventually the proceedings degenerated into such a tumult that policemen were summoned to expel one of the noisiest of the shareholders who approached the directors table, thumped it with his fist, yelled at the top of his voice, and shook a handful of papers in the face of the chairman. The intrusion of the policemen raised such a pandemonium that they felt compelled to withdraw. The few speakers who remained at the meeting urged the adoption of the board's proposals as being the shareholders' only salvation. One speaker said it was palpably impossible for the company to finish the canal, as it could not raise money anywhere in France or in the rest of Europe. He added that a shareholder, M. Ranaux Varilla, who had published an appeal to the shareholders and others at the beginning of the year to contribute funds to carry on the work, only secured promises of 200,000 francs. Other speakers appealed to the meeting to cease the tumult as the moment was decisive in regard to the fate of their many millions.

Finally the chairman rose and made a statement, which soothed his hearers. He said there was no contradiction in the resignation of Hulín and the expressions of appreciation of his labors contained in his report. The board had considered the situation resulting from the isthmian commissioners' decision and had come to the conclusion that a change of policy was needed. They therefore made the proposition contained in the report, but, as it was thought that the negotiations with the United States might run smoother without M. Hulín, the latter resigned. The meeting, appeased by this explanation, then approved of the propositions made in the report.

WOMAN DISAPPEARS.

Strange Story From Vancouver of How Mrs. Powell Vanished.

Vancouver, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The strange disappearance of Mrs. Powell, a handsome young married woman of the city, is being investigated by the police. On Thursday afternoon she left her home with a strange man and has not been heard of since. According to the woman's sister, a young man respectable looking, wearing dark clothes and hard hat, called at the Powell home, which is on the outskirts of the city. He said he was buying chickens, and asked Mrs. Powell if she wanted to sell any. She replied she did not but wanted to buy a Minorena rooster. The young man said he had a fine Minorena for sale cheap at his place just down the road a bit. He added that if she would come and look at the rooster perhaps she would want him. Mrs. Powell started for her hat and jacket and in passing her sister, said she would be back in 10 or 15 minutes. Since that time no trace of her and the man is lost. Mr. Powell, the missing woman's husband, is heart-broken over the affair, and declares that it is his belief that something terrible has happened. The Powell's are Germans, and can speak very little English, not having been in this country long. The police are investigating the case.

EXTENSION POST OFFICE.

Investigation Being Made of the Money Department.

Nanaimo, Dec. 21.—(Special.)—An investigation is being made today at Extension into the condition of finances at the post office there as a result of the report of Deputy Master Maillet's departure. Mr. McMillan, who holds the position of postmaster, and who lives here, went out there today. The postoffice inspector was expected to visit the place today also. Maillet is said to have spent with a lavish hand during the last few days before leaving. As pay day was only a week ago, it is thought that considerable money would be handled by him in the postoffice.

DEWET AGAIN.

His Commando Fares Badly in Fight With British.

Harrisburgh, Orange River Colony, Dec. 21.—The first fight in which General Dewet has figured for some time is reported to have occurred at Langberg, December 18. It was rather a fiasco, considering the recent ominous reports regarding the noted guerilla's rejuvenated commando. Dewet, with 800 men and two guns, clashed with Generals Dartnell and Campbell. After a four hours fight the Boers drew off with a loss of four killed and 20 wounded. The British loss was one killed and 14 wounded.

LABOR TROUBLES.

Whiskey and Daughter of England Dance Boycotted.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—The local Trades and Labor council have decided to boycott Gooderham & Worts whiskey, owing to the connection of Mr. Gooderham with the Rossland mines, in which labor troubles have occurred. At the same time the Daughters of England dance was boycotted owing to the ladies having engaged non-union music.

BIG SUM INVOLVED.

Writ Issued Against American Packing Companies and Victoriacs.

On Friday last W. J. Bowser, K. C. of Vancouver, issued a writ in the Supreme Court of British Columbia at Victoria on behalf of the Bank of British North America against the Quadra Packing company, Thomas Earle, Alfred Magnusson and the Icy Straits Packing company, for the sum of \$109,551.31, being the amount due for principal and interest on the certain promissory notes made by the defendant, the Quadra Packing company, in favor of the defendant, Thomas Earle, and indorsed by him and the other defendants. The Quadra Packing company and the Icy Straits Packing company are foreign corporations, being incorporated under the laws of the state of Washington and having their head office at the city of Seattle. Mr. Justice Valkem, on the day of the issue of the writ, made an order granting plaintiffs leave to issue a concurrent writ for service out of the jurisdiction on the Quadra Packing company, and that plaintiffs be at liberty to serve notice of the writ. The foreign corporations are required to appear within 10 days.

The only application disposed of yesterday in chambers was in the matter of the Menzies street widening by-law and the Nanaimo estate. J. M. Bradburn, on behalf of the city of Victoria, applied to pay certain moneys into court, being the amount due the Menzies estate for lands expropriated by the city in the widening of Menzies street. Mr. Justice Valkem granted the order asked for. L. P. Duff, K. C., appeared for the estate.

A Coal Fever At Port Kells

Ground Staked and Syndicate Being Formed to Float a Company.

Chinese Gambling Cases and Sunday Liquor Selling at Westminster.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Westminster, Dec. 21.—Again it is alleged that coal has been discovered near Port Kells. This time the prospect was so good, the samples so superior and the expert report so encouraging that confidential friends of the discoverer, about 17, have already staked out claims, covering half a township, and are advertising notices in the local papers. Most of those interested are electric railway employees, who will organize a syndicate on Monday to consolidate their holdings, and then prospectively purchasers. Owners of the land being exploited are docking to town to look after their own interests, and add to the general excitement over what might prove the making of New Westminster.

As a result of police raiding of a Chinese gambling den, 32 Chinese were fined in the police court, sums varying from \$20 to \$40 each and aggregating over \$800. Unfortunately for the city only two paid their fines, and instead of the treasury being benefited it will have to pay 16 dollars a day for the balance of the prisoners while in the provincial jail. In cases against four city hotels for selling liquor on Sunday, one was dismissed two were convicted and fined \$40 and \$25 respectively, and one was adjourned till Monday. When the cases first came up they were adjourned because of the absence of the city commissioners. The temperance members were one short through the absence of the chairman, acting Mayor Brown, and the effect to postpone granting a renewal of licenses was frustrated.

Local retail business is very brisk, and shops are rendered unusually attractive by electrical displays now possible as a result of improvements to the civic lighting plant.

The annual ball given by the firemen in the new civic building last night was the society event of the season. Fully 200 guests were present, including representative citizens in all walks of life. Sheriff Armstrong presided, a most capable master of ceremonies. The ball was to start a fund to provide a library for the fire department.

CITY SUPERINTENDENT.

Council of Public Instruction to be Asked to Repeal Article 17.

Trustee Brown of the Board of School Trustees, has given notice that at the next meeting of the board he will move the following resolution: "That in the opinion of the Board of School Trustees of the city of Victoria, article 17 of the rules and regulations, published in the school manual, whereby the trustees of the management of the city schools and vests the same in the city superintendent, who is not responsible to the trustees, who employ him, but to the council of public instruction, thereby making that officer independent of the trustees of the people, and is subversive of responsible government. It is therefore moved that a deputation consisting of as many members of the board as can be present and with the Minister of Education, with the view of securing the repeal of the regulations as contained in article 17." A meeting of the trustees has been called for Monday evening.

MORE CANDIDATES.

William Humphrey and George Jeeves Announce Themselves for Aldermanic Honors.

The crop of candidates for aldermen continues to increase. Yesterday George Jeeves announced himself for North Ward, and William Humphrey for Central Ward. The latter served several terms on the board, and Mr. Jeeves, although a candidate in a previous election, was not successful.

Mayor Hayward yesterday gave notice of a motion fixing the dates of the election and the polling places. He will move at the next meeting of the council that the nominations of candidates for the office of Mayor and Aldermen for 1902 shall take place at the city hall on Monday, the 13th day of January, from 12 o'clock to 2 o'clock p. m.; in case more than one candidate for mayor is nominated the election shall be held in the court room of the city hall on Thursday, 16th day of January, 1902, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m.; in case of an election for aldermen it shall be held on the 16th day of January, 1902, from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. in the public market building. W. W. Northcott is named by the resolution returning the matter to the council. The Mayor also gives notice that he will move at the same meeting that the polling place for the election of school trustees, which takes place on the 16th of January, be in the police court, city hall.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

Sunday School of St. Andrews' Roman Catholic Cathedral.

Friday night, at the Institute hall, the Sunday school of St. Andrews' R. C. cathedral will give its Christmas entertainment. The elaborate preparations, which are now in progress, give promise of a highly interesting and pleasant evening. A cordial greeting, extended by the children to Santa Claus, who will disrobe the brilliant and beautiful Christmas tree of its many treasures and gifts, will constitute the concluding feature of the evening's pleasure. The programme is:

Chorus—"Winter Queen." Tableau Effect Recitation—"My Teacher."—Eva Leblanc, Tableau—"Amen."—Miss Elsie Lubbe, Annetta, Miss Anna McQuade, Happy Minnie, Ethel Smith, Eva Leblanc, Tableau—Christmas Morn.—Children, Marie Sawyer, Grace Mellen, Angels, Miss Anna McQuade, Miss Elsie Lubbe, Miss Nellie Lombard, Duane, Professor Strikman's Pupils, Professor—James Sweeney, Albert, Miss Anna McQuade, James Keefe, Charles, Edward, Herbert, Nigel, Hiram, Edward, Frederick, James Locke, Henry, John Sweeney, Greeting to Santa Claus—Children's Chorus, Distribution of prizes, God Save the King.

Mr. Binks' papers says a big floor mill on west blew in yesterday. Mrs. Binks' Lauba's house is where they make this new fangled self-raising flour.—New York Weekly.

Try the Victoria Cafe's Turkey Lunch and Dinner on Christmas Eve. Usual price. Extra quick service for business people.

What are Humors?

They are vitiated or morbid fluids coursing the veins and affecting the tissues. They are commonly due to defective digestion but are sometimes inherited.

How do they manifest themselves? In many forms of cutaneous eruption, salt rheum or eczema, pimples and boils, and in weakness, languor, general debility, and how are they expelled? By

Hood's Sarsaparilla which also builds up the system that has suffered from them. It is the best medicine for all humors.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

To Late for Classification.

WANTED—If you want a suitable Xmas gift for a gentleman, you cannot do better than get a Smoking Jacket or Bath Robe. Only a few left and they will go at actual cost. Phillips, Hatter and Furrier, Government St., Adelphi Block.

WANTED—A thoroughly competent woman to do general housework and assist with three children. Apply Mrs. F. L. Smith, 84 Chatham street, morning.

TO LET—From 1st January, in private house, comfortably furnished bedroom, with sitting room and breakfast, if desired, near to Government buildings. Everything first class. Apply A. B. C. 422

DO YOU KNOW YOUR FUTURE?—If not address Riley Allen, St. Anthony Hill Station, St. Paul, Minn. Send 10c. and birthdate, with quick reply, he gives this information in a wonderful life reading.

GOING NORTH?—FOR SALE—Fur coat, bargain. To be seen at Monday's sale. Store, No. 80 Government street.

TO LET—New modern eight roomed house, electric light, telephone, sewer connection. Apply on premises, 65 Rae street.

FOR SALE—A new high grade PIANO, cheap for cash. Address "A. M." Col. onist. Piano may be seen at 39 North Park.

WANTED ENGLISH PENNIES—A collector of curios offers ten cents each for English pennies dated 1894. Apply Currier, this office.

SELL YOUR JUNK AT BROWN'S Licensed Junk Store, 125 Fort Street, instead of Chinese, who evade paying licenses, and mix vegetables with junk. Coal oil cans 5c. each.

TO RENT—Furnished room for gentleman in well appointed house, centrally situated. Address Christmas, this office.

LOST—On Friday morning on Cadboro Bay road, or Fort street, a gold chain bracelet. Leave at Colanist.

MARRIAGE PAPER—Best published, sixteen pages, containing hundreds of personal advertisements of marriageable people, many rich, well-to-do, securely sealed. Free. J. W. Gumbel, Toledo, Ohio.

TO RENT—With immediate possession, comfortable fourteen roomed house, hot and cold water, gas, large garden, conveniently situated. Reasonable rent. Apply H. M. Grahame, 41 Government St.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Small family, light work, good pay. Apply A. B. C. 422

DAVID ANDERSON

Take notice that Lot 6 of Blocks 2-3, Section 19, Ross Estate, Victoria City, is to be sold on December 27th, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Council Chambers, City Hall, Victoria, B. C., for the sum of \$6.25 taxes, interest and costs, due and in arrears, under and by virtue of a certain mortgage, The Victoria Real Property Tax Sale By-law, 1901.

INVITED TO CANADA.

Marconi Asked to Continue His Experiments in Nova Scotia.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 21.—Finance Minister Fielding, of the Dominion government, telegraphed to Marconi this morning from Ottawa, offering him, in behalf of the Canadian cabinet, every facility for erecting wireless telegraph stations on the Nova Scotia seaboard, making him most encouraging propositions, assuring him that there is no obstacle in the way of his carrying out his experiments in Canadian territory, and inviting him to Ottawa to discuss the matter.

In consequence of this flattering proposition Marconi will leave St. John's for Ottawa tomorrow night. He will meet at Montreal the capitalists who through Governor Boyle, have offered him financial support in his venture.

When the bar-keeper sets out Jesse Moore "AA" he gives the customer the best in the house.

ST. MARTINS.

Cor. Oak Bay and Richmond Ave.

Pleasant comfortably furnished rooms to rent, with or without board.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS

RINGS IN DIAMONDS, TURQUOIS, RUBIES AND EMERALDS, ALL KINDS. KLOX, WATCHES, AND JEWELRY OF ALL KINDS.

E. Andernach,

92 Government St. Victoria, B.C.

New Cider

Fresh from the press daily. Excellent for mince meat, etc., at 25c. per gallon.

FACTORY—255 Cook St. East

GENUINE BARGAINS

FOR THE HOLIDAYS. AT THE

B. C. Drug Store,

27 Johnson Street.

Be wise for once, and fall not to eat and inspect these beautiful and useful goods.

Now! Now!

Sutton & Sons' Seeds

Now is the time to order. New Canadian catalogue for the asking from

O. BAZETT

Duncan Agent, or call at

C. H. BOWES DRUG STORE

Govt St. and get one.

We are Sure to Please You

CHRISTMAS comes but once a year, and it is only once in a lifetime you see such beautiful and varied range of

Men's Neckwear

as we are showing specially selected for the holiday trade. It excels any we have ever shown both for value and richness in design and colorings. All styles, all prices, from 25c to \$1.50.

A Handsome Box Given Away with every tie from 50c and upwards.

W. & J. WILSON

83 Government Street, Victoria, B.C.

THE MAMMOTH

ALL HAIL THE HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Just now most minds are bent upon the somewhat difficult, though always pleasing problem of what to select, how to obtain, and where to procure, the many things required to gladden their friends and families. It is a time when long pocket-books seem short, and short ones microscopic. We present the following suggestions for gifts in order to help answer the perplexing question in regard to

GIFTS FOR MEN

To lessen the perplexing question in regard to the pocket-book, we have decided to offer the following holiday goods at the same

STRIKING PRICE CONCESSIONS

As we have done on our WEEKLY SPECIALS.

NECKWEAR.

Elegant line of Bows, Tecks, Four-in-Hands and Imperials.

GLOVES

Every description of the most reliable makes.

HANKERCHIEFS

Silk and Linen in plain, fancy and initialed.

COLLAR AND CUFFS

All styles and qualities.

UNDERWEAR

All weights, grades and colors.

SILK SUSPENDERS

An endless variety of patterns and colors, splendidly mounted; put up one in a box.

WHITE AND COLORED SHIRTS

The latest creations.

HATS

The latest style Fedoras in black, brown, pearl, cedar, Oxford and steel.

SUITS

All shades, styles and qualities.

We have a surprise in prices this week. Such immense bargains in beautiful goods have never been offered.

111 GOVERNMENT ST.

16 and 17c XMAS TURKEYS 16 and 17c per lb.

In a few days Turkeys will be in great demand. QUALITY AND PRICE are a consideration with most people.

The James Bay Grocer

Guarantees both quality and price. Give us a call before buying elsewhere. Jap Oranges 50c. per box,

A. Schroeder.

NOTICE—We have something choice in Xmas Fruits and Confectionery.

TO THE PUBLIC

All trains on the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway will be cancelled on the 25th inst.—Christmas Day.

JOSEPH HUNTER,

General Supt.

16th December, 1901.

NOTICE

James Bay Bridge is closed to vehicular traffic until foundation of wall is completed.

By order,

C. H. TOPP,

City Engr.

MARRIED.

DUNCAN—HOWARD—At the First Presbyterian church on 21st inst., by Rev. Dr. Campbell, Charles Gordon Stewart Duncan, youngest son of the late Rev. Dr. Duncan of Bridge of Weir, Scotland, to Rachael Augusta Vaughan Williams, only daughter of Mrs. Mary Howard, Esquimalt.

Granite and Marble
WORKS
74 and 76 View Street
For Monuments, Head Stones, Tablets, Curbings, and all kinds of work in granite and marble at bed rock prices.
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MONUMENTS
BE SURE TO
Get Stewart's Prices
on Monuments, Cemetery Conings, Imported Scotch Granite Monuments, etc., before purchasing elsewhere. Nothing but first-class stock and workmanship.
Corner Yates and Blanchard Streets

The Christmas Smoke



The well known PROVINCE CIGAR also done up in twenty-five in boxes, suitable for a Christmas or New Year's Gift.

PROVINCE CIGAR COMPANY, YATES STREET.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

I beg to announce myself as a candidate at the ensuing municipal election of aldermen, for the North Ward, and respectfully solicit your support.

December 21st, 1901. GEORGE JEEVES.

VICTORIA CITY, SOUTH WARD

TO THE ELECTORS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

I beg to announce myself as a candidate at the ensuing municipal election of aldermen, for the South Ward, and respectfully solicit your support.

December 17th, 1901. THORNTON FELL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

I beg to announce myself as a candidate at the ensuing municipal election



For Xmas and New Year

New designs for 1902 in jewelry and watches are now shown at Wenger's. If you want the latest and best there is no place to go but to Wenger's. You can make your selection at a price to suit, and will be sure of getting the best value for the money.

J. WENGER

JEWELER.

90 Government St. e. t., Victoria

Blue Ribbon Tea will always be served free at the Victoria Fair. Meanwhile you might as well be drinking it at home. Ask for White Label. All Grocers.

Close Call For Champions

Victoria Wins From Fernwood In the Last Few Minutes Play.

Other Football Matches Which Were Decided in the City Yesterday.

The champion association football team, the Victorias, had a very narrow escape from defeat yesterday at the hands of the Fernwoods, a new aggregation, but including several old players, including Jones, the Victoria's goal keeper. In the first half the Fernwoods scored twice while the Victorias were unable to get past the back division of the opposing team. The goals were scored by J. Noot and F. Moore. In the first part of the second half the Victorias were still unable to get their combination to work, but shortly before time was called they changed the positions of some of the team, with the result that within a very short time they had scored six goals. The Fernwoods scored another goal in the second half, making the score 6 to 3 in favor of the champions. The following is the league standing:

Team	Pl.	Won.	Dwn.	Lost.	Pts.
Victoria	2	1	0	1	2
Columbus	2	1	0	1	2
Fernwoods	2	0	2	0	0
Garrison	2	0	0	2	0

PROVINCIAL LEAGUE.

Garrison Defeated the Soldiers at Work Point Yesterday.

The Provincial Senior League Association football match between the Garrison and Columbus at Work Point barracks yesterday afternoon resulted in a victory for the soldiers, with a score of 6 goals to 4, after a very fast and exciting game. The Columbus started off with a rush and inside of 10 minutes had scored two goals. The R. A. then warmed to the game and scored two goals in quick succession. Before half time, the Columbus added another point, thus making the score 3-2 in their favor. By the time the whistle blew for half time the rain had made the ground very slippery. The Columbus were heavily handicapped from the start of the match, by playing two men short, and the strain now proved too much for them, but they put up a plucky struggle and contested every foot of ground from start to finish. The R. A. rushed matters in the second half. They quickly evened the score and then secured three more goals before the whistle blew for time. J. Lawson scored the Columbus' fourth goal. For the barracks, the three half backs were undoubtedly the shining lights. They rendered great service in the defense. The Columbus' J. Lawson, right wing forward; G. Wilson, center forward; S. Shanks, full back, and H. Gardley, half back, shared the honors of the day. Mr. Woods gave a very satisfactory account of the following is the league standing:

Team	Pl.	Won.	Dwn.	Lost.	Pts.
Garrison	2	1	0	1	2
Victoria	2	1	0	1	2
Columbus	2	0	2	0	0

INTERMEDIATE GAME.

Curiously enough in the return Association football match between the Intermediate Columbus and the Barracks at Beacon Hill, yesterday afternoon, the score in the former game was exactly reversed, the Columbus winning with a score of one goal to nil. The struggle was a very keen one, but the Columbus forwards had an advantage over their opponents, as they were splendidly fed by the half backs. C. Newcombe being especially prominent. The ground was very slippery and the play was not fast or scientific, but both sides worked hard. In the first half, no score was made, but in the second, J. Finlayson received a fine pass from C. Newcombe and scored with a swift shot. The soldiers then pressed repeatedly, but the Columbus defense was sound, and when the whistle blew for time the Columbus were victorious. For the Columbus, C. Newcombe, right half back, played a brilliant game. He fed the forwards with a steady and accurate supply of passes. V. Wolfenden, left half, was very steady and reliable. K. Hughes, at full back, kicked splendidly, and J. Finlayson, right wing forward, was excellent in aggressive and defensive play. For the barracks, the goal keeper, full backs and half backs played a fine game and did their best to avert defeat. Mr. Newbery gave entire satisfaction.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

The High school again won their match yesterday afternoon, their opponents being South Park school, last year's champions. The High school won with a score of 4-0. The match was a game struggle, but the High school boys had a fine combination and in spite of the best efforts of the South Park goalkeeper, three points were scored. The first goal was scored by C. C. South Park, and the second by the South Park end of the field. Although on several occasions the James Bay boys broke away and attempted to score. However, Patterson, the High school goalkeeper, was like a stone wall, and every attack was repulsed. Kelly scored three goals and McInnes secured one. One of the goals was disputed. For the High school, Kelly, McInnes and Patterson played well. C. C. South Park, Bamford and Fawcett worked hard for the South Park. The league standing is:

Team	Pl.	Won.	Dwn.	Lost.	Pts.
High School	4	4	0	0	8
South Park	3	0	3	1	2
Northwesters	2	0	1	1	1
Boys' Brigade	2	0	1	1	1

CHESS TOURNEY.

Result of the Games Played During the Past Week.

Players	No. Games Played	Games Won	Games Lost	Per Cent.
P. T. Johnston	21	15	6	71.42
A. Garside	17	12	5	70.58
B. J. Perry	27	17	10	61.45
G. Hunter	17	10	7	58.82
A. Gommers	17	10	7	58.82
C. McKenzie	15	9	6	60.00
T. Meyer	20	14	6	70.00
C. A. Lombard	21	11	10	52.38
Cap. Clark	21	11	10	52.38
W. Marchant	19	10	9	52.63
A. S. Innes	23	14	9	60.86
C. W. Rhodes	14	6	8	42.85
L. M. Wilkins	20	8	12	40.00
J. B. Ashby	20	4	16	20.00
J. M. Sly	18	1	17	5.55

VICTORIA HUNT CLUB.

Successful Paper-Chase Under Unfavorable Conditions.

A fairly large number, including two ladies, turned out yesterday for the Victoria Hunt club's meet at Talmie hill on the Saanich road, and though the weather could not be called cheerful, it

was so much less wet than has usually been the case, that it did not prevent the enjoyment of a very good run. The hares had five minutes' law and took their way across some of Mr. Todd's fields at Quadra street, which they crossed, continuing by way of Messrs. Com's, King's, Irving's and Scott's land to Cedar hill. There they followed trails through the timber and came down to the road by Mr. Todd's farm. They crossed the road and went through some of Mr. Todd's fields, and by some bush trails on Caradoc road and thence about the rail while they waited three minutes, however, belonging to a school house. They only waited three minutes, however, before the arrival of the hare-filling contingent. The hares were then divided into two parties, a few arrived after these first were well on their way home, and some gave up at different points of the run. One sportsman had a fall from his horse, but was unhurt, and rode upon his way, though he was badly shaken. Some found some mighty fences in their path, which they valiantly overcame. These fences had a own bigger than the intervening the hares jumped them. Some avoided them and sought for gaps, and others pulled them down—but all, like the three Javi I Hunt-mon, "Powder" up and down a bit, and had a rattling half the hares. All the farmers above mentioned are good sportsmen, to whom the Hunt club is much indebted for their courteous permission to ride over their land.

SPORTING NOTES.

The following teams have been chosen to play in the whist match against the Seattle Athletic club, to be held in the J. B. A. hall, during the afternoon and evening of December 27: J. A. McTavish and W. H. Dalby; Thompson and P. Davey; J. H. Lawson and J. H. Aust; D. O'Sullivan and E. H. All the teams are well known to the sportsmen, and are earnestly requested to get in all the practice they can before the date mentioned. A practice game will be held on Monday night at 8:15 and the above named are particularly requested to attend.

The Victoria Intermediate Rugby football players are rapidly getting into it, and in fact, their match with the Vancouver Intermediate at the Terminal City, on the 28th instant. They held a practice at Oak Bay park yesterday afternoon. There was a good attendance and a hard game was played.

The Victoria Intermediate Rugby football team is as follows: Full back, Anderson; three quarters, Netherby, Peterson, Tait, Allott; half backs, Winsby, McInnes; forwards, Levy, Marchant (capt.), Wilson, Miller, Ozden, McCarter, Walker, Rogers. The Intermediate 15 will be chosen from the following players: C. Newcombe, S. Shanks, S. Patton, W. Blackburne, W. Heath, L. Foote, W. Redfern, J. Finlayson, G. Simpson, T. Goddard, H. Corbett, Kennedy, E. Miller, K. Koefer, A. Clayton, R. Gibson, W. Sutherland, R. Goddard, W. Todd, W. Newcombe, A. Newcombe, S. Willemar, H. Jesse, P. Andrews.

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES

Display of Meats and Poultry At Goodacre and Sons Queen's Market.

While vendors of the beautiful and useful are displaying their wares to the best advantage to tempt the Christmas shopper, those who enter to the vital wants of humanity are not backward in drawing attention to their specialties. The latest show at the city is assuming a festive appearance and foremost in this respect is the Queen's Market, corner of Government and Yates streets, where Messrs. Lawrence Goodacre & Sons, make a fine display of Christmas meats and poultry. The large shop is filled to overflowing. Quarters of beef of the best quality are ranged round the walls in tempting rows, while above them hang carcasses of sheep, alternated with dressed poultry, hams, and other delicacies. The tempting viands, all in prime condition, dressed to perfection and ornamented with sprigs of holly. A tasty framework of evergreens and numerous electric lights set off a picture which would delight the heart of an epicure. The display is to forswear himself, and drive a carriage in despatch to despair. There is an earnest of good cheer in the display—it carries a conviction that one does not need to go beyond Victoria to secure the best of a Christmas dinner fit for Epicurus.

The well known and popular house was established in 1881 by the late Benjamin Williams, and was formerly located at 97 Johnson street, from whence they moved to their present premises, Yates street, on May 1st, 1900, when they erected their fine brick building, with a floor space of 64,745 feet, at a cost of \$5,000, and is the largest clothing and furnishing house in British Columbia. It is of the most modern kind, with large and elegant plate-glass front.

Since going into their present premises the business has nearly doubled, and the staff of permanent employees of upwards of five permanent clerks and a book-keeper.

The tailoring business is carried on on the second floor, of which Mr. W. T. Williams is the proprietor, having been summoned to the command of this department on the death of his father in 1884.

B. Williams & Co. are agents for Christie's hats, Dents' gloves, De Jaeger's sanitarium and underwear, and direct from Great Britain, Germany, Austria and Paris.

The business, when first established in 1881, was in a very small way, and has kept gradually increasing, and has reached its present proportions, carrying a stock valued at upwards of \$40,000, consisting entirely of gents' furnishings and clothing. The firm do quite a business by letter order throughout the province, and are well known throughout the entire country for their integrity and honest dealing, in all their business transactions.

The firm have always been firm believers in the free and judicious use of printers' ink, which, by the way, has played a considerable part in the success achieved by them in the past. They take this opportunity of wishing their many friends a happy and merry Christmas and a happy New Year, and before closing would incidentally mention that they have just received 35 cases of the latest novelties in neckwear, gloves, suspenders, mufflers, smoking jackets, etc., etc., especially selected for the Christmas trade, together with 500 handsome wall pockets, which latter will be given away during the holiday season.

Fashionable Moscow lap dogs are now being imported from the designers, according to the St. Petersburg Novoe Vremya.

Thomas Atkinson, who helped Stephen Haggart in the famous 70 years' trade union, and heads the membership list of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, has been elected to the position of benefit money from the union for 27 years.

Local News

Savoy Matinee.—A splendid matinee performance was given yesterday afternoon at the A. O. U. W. hall by the Savoy company. Rafael, the ventriloquist, made a hit with the children. He is very clever and with experience will make a mark in the company. The members of the company acquitted themselves well.

Penwill-Harvie.—A quiet but pretty wedding took place in Vancouver on Tuesday, when the Rev. Norman Tucker, of Christ church, joined in the holy bonds of matrimony Miss Alice C. Harvie, daughter of Mr. Thos. Harvie of the B. C. Box Factory and Mr. W. Frank Penwill, of the firm of Weeks & Penwill, formerly of this city, Miss Penwill, of Wolston, Victoria West, sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid, while Mr. J. C. Marshall supported the groom. After the service a dainty supper was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Harvie, 845 Hornby street. Many handsome and useful gifts were sent to the young couple by relatives and friends in Vancouver, Victoria, Toronto, Chicago and Montreal. Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Penwill left amid showers of rice and old shoes on the Mainlander for a visit to Seattle.

Scandal Spoiled.—Did you hear that Mrs. Penwill was separated from her husband? Mercy, no! Tell me about it. Well, they were down town shopping together yesterday and they got separated in the crowd.—Philadelphia Evening Bulletin.

Adelaide Ristori will be 80 years of age at the end of January, when the actors of Rome will give a performance in honor of her. Eleanor Duse, Novelli and Zucconi will take part, and Goldoni's "La Locandiera," in which Ristori was famous in the title part, will be performed.

Letter From Lord Aberdeen

CITADEL, Quebec, Sept. 25, 1898.

MESSRS. J. M. DOUGLAS & CO.

I am desired by the Earl of Aberdeen to say that he has no objection to your advertising the champagne you mention (Dry Royal) was used at the Government House, Ottawa, during the last four years. Yours faithfully, (Signed) WM. RIDLEY.

A really fine champagne at moderate price. Cases 1 doz. quarts, cases 2 doz. pints, handy little baskets 1 doz. half-pints. Orders solicited. For sale by all leading dealers.

J. M. DOUGLAS & CO., Vancouver

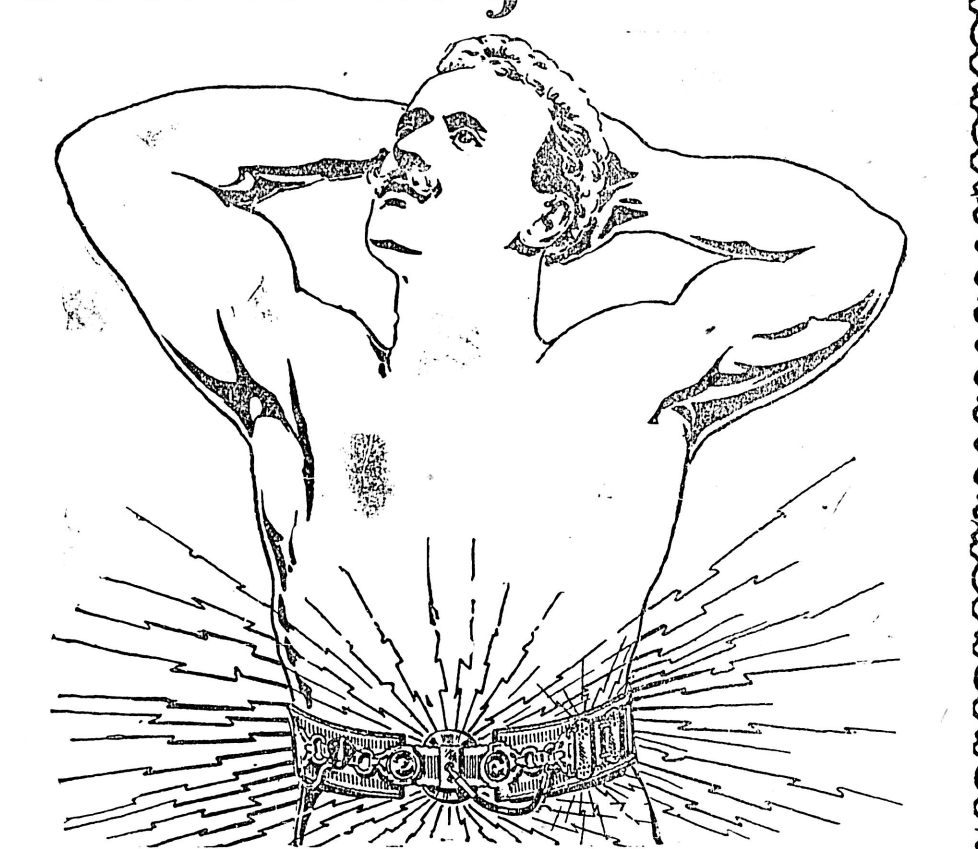
Sole Canadian Agents

Xmas Presents at Cost

Having only about one dozen SMOKING JACKETS and BATH ROBES left, we have decided to sell the balance at actual cost to save us carrying them over till next season. Come early if you want a snap.

PHILLIPS, HATTER and FURNISHER, cor. Yates and Government Streets, Adelaide Block.

THIS IS ONE OF Dr. McLaughlin's Men



The weak man does not live who cannot be made healthier and stronger by wearing my Electric Belt. None of us is perfect, and anything that will add more to such vitality as we may have will make us better. It is hard for a weak man to have noble sentiments. Such things are born of warm blood, healthy nerves and a strong heart.

Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt

Makes men strong; it causes the nerves to tingle with the joyful exhilaration of youth; it fills the heart with a feeling of gladness, makes everything look bright and makes the nerves like bars of steel. Give me a man broken down from indiscretions or excesses—one who has lost the very essence of manhood—and I will make him feel like a youth of 20 within a month. How? you ask. Simply by pumping a vital stream of electricity into his body in the right way while he sleeps.

Nervousness and Weakness Cured. Dr. M. A. McLaughlin, Dear Sir—I am writing you on behalf of my wife. I am very thankful to you for the benefit that the Belt has given her. I am advising everyone that I see to get one, as I am fully aware that it will save four times the price in doctors and medicines. My wife was completely run down from hard work. So bad that she had quite a shock of paralysis on one side, and it appeared to be getting worse all the time. Finally, the shaking and trembling began to work on her, inside as well as out. Her appetite was gone, and she was downhearted. Doctors appeared to do her no good. By the use of your Belt she has been built up and is now like a new woman. Yours truly, Capt. Thos. Williams, Helen Iron Mine, Michipicoten, Ont., Aug. 27, 1901.

A Bad Back Cured. Dear Sirs—The Belt is simply perfect. It has done for me this summer what doctors have been trying to do with medicines for the last twenty years—that is, to cure a lame back. I have been so bad with my back once in a while that I could not walk to my stable to feed my team. My wife had to do it for ten or twelve days at a time. Since wearing the Belt I could go any place or do anything that any other man could do. Therefore, I have to give you my Belt great credit. J. J. Northcott, Dresden, Ont., September 3, 1901.

Dr. McLaughlin's Electric Belt. Dear Sir—It is seven years since I have passed such a pleasant year as this one, and it is owing to your Belt. I have great faith in your Belt. My headaches have not bothered me this summer, nor have I been troubled in any other way. I am pleased to say I do not need any medicine now. Your Belt is as good a doctor as I have found. It does its work up right, and it is a cure for almost everything. I hope that all who obtain your Belt will derive the same benefit and satisfaction as I. Yours very truly, George Knight, Lakeside, Ont., August 17, 1901.

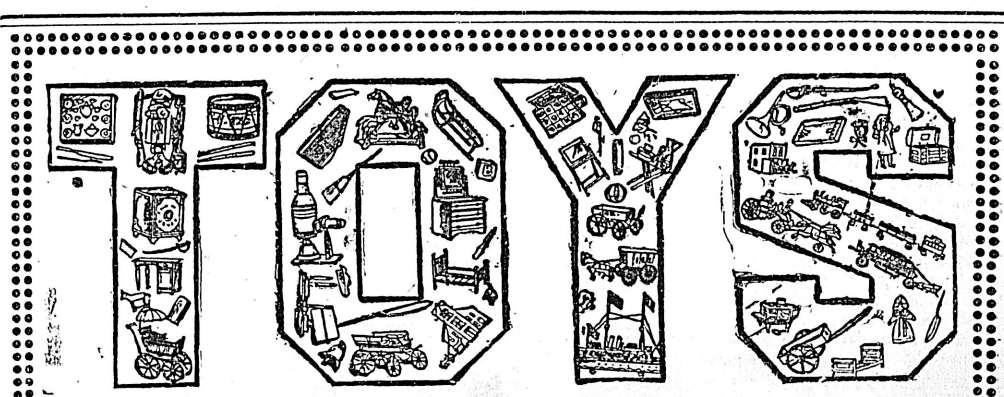
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News of the Waterfront

Colliers Reach Port From San Francisco—Sealers Ready to Sail.

Repairs to the C. P. N. Steamer Hating Now Almost Completed.

There were several arrivals from sea yesterday, including three colliers, the Bristol, Wellington and San Mateo, from San Francisco to the island colliers, and a fleet of sailing ships. The Quadra returned from a Gulf cruise, the Vinga arrived with freight from the Mainland, and two schooners, the Triumph and Florence M. Smith, got their crews on board and went to James Bay ready to proceed on their cruise on Monday. The steamer Opauk, chartered by Dodwell & Co., is not to come over today to load from Tacoma to load the salmon cargo at the Outer wharf as was expected, as she has been delayed on her inbound voyage, having just reached the Sound port from Kobe after a long and stormy passage of 22 days. The Blakeley, the treasure hunting brigantine, moored at Spratt's wharf, has completed her overhaul, and will be ready to sail in about a week's time. At the Sealing company's wharf the Vega and Casco are alongside loading supplies and outfit for their cruise to Japan, after sealing off the coast, and the Arietis was launched from Turpel's ways after being overhauled, and the Panope was hauled out. Among the ships which passed up were the Alsterkamp, a German ship in ballast, 157 days from Hamburg, Cambrian Chieftain from Melbourne via Penco in ballast, 108 days, Capt. Hannah, having sailed from Cardiff with coal for the Navy on Tuesday last. She is the sixth loaded ship on the way to this port the Springbank being now about 14 days out. The ship was chartered by the Alsterkamp, a sister ship of the Alsterkamp, is overdue from Hamburg, being out 17 days more than the just arrived vessel.

A new ship has been added to the fleet bound around the Horn to Victoria, the ship Ladakh, 1,908 tons, Capt. Hannah, having sailed from Cardiff with coal for the Navy on Tuesday last. She is the sixth loaded ship on the way to this port the Springbank being now about 14 days out. The ship was chartered by the Alsterkamp, a sister ship of the Alsterkamp, is overdue from Hamburg, being out 17 days more than the just arrived vessel.

A BOTTLE MESSAGE.

Picked up Among the Kelp at Oak Bay Yesterday Morning.

Yesterday there came news of another wreck added to the long list of disasters of this winter. A craft foundered with all on board. One of the unfortunate, however, survived long enough to drain a pint whiskey flask, and reaching into his jeans for a lead pencil inscribed a last message for the waves to carry ashore, and tell in terse manner the detail of the disaster, in which he was also overwhelmed, having seemingly changed his mind about his ability to reach shore after the craft foundered. The remnants of the wreck, a pint whiskey flask, a cigar, a tin of soap, and a small piece of an envelope, was found yesterday morning at Oak Bay, where it was stranded in the kelp on the shore opposite the late James Chieftain's Ulloa on Mary Todd Island. Daniel Davenport Chapman happened to be walking along the beach when he espied the flask in the kelp, and salving it, he took it to the United States consulate. There the message from the sea read as follows: "Alfred A. Alice. Struck a rock and I was the only survivor, do not think I can reach shore; no I cannot. Good-bye."

This message written in a school-boy hand on the back of an envelope addressed to Mr. John Bez, Friday Harbor, Washington, and postmarked at that point on December 12, was unsigned, and the sole survivor of this ocean tragedy died in the effort to reach shore is unknown. The name of the escapee of the fool-killer who sent the fake message—for it has everything to proclaim it such—is also unknown. There is probably an especial retribution for him. Anyhow, those interested in the sailor and those who go down to the sea in ships think there should be.

MARINE NOTES.

The steamer Hating will probably be launched from the Esquimaux Marine ways on Tuesday, as the work on her hull will likely be completed by then. As many as 48 new plates and 38 new frames as well as a new forefoot were placed in the steamer, and new propellers are being placed on her. Her machinery is also being overhauled, the

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know there will be a tomorrow
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not wait because of your pres-
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amount; a small policy is bet-
ter than none. Besides, while
you are waiting, the cost is
increasing! Take out a policy
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ESQUIMAULT SCHOOL.

Interesting Closing Exercises Held on
Friday Afternoon.

Christmas closing examination was
held at Esquimalt on Friday afternoon,
and was well attended by both parents
and children, and a goodly number of
visitors also. J. Oliver, J. P., of the
school board, occupied the chair, and
was assisted by Rev. C. E. Sharpe, M.
A., and Mr. Case, chief constable of
the navy yard, and Miss Campbell, who
very efficiently put the children through
their different studies, all acquiring
themselves in a very creditable manner,
showing marked improvement in their
different studies. The different dialogues,
recitations and songs by the pupils were
very correctly gone through. Masters
Olford and Bainbridge distinguished
themselves by the delivery of their re-
citations, also two recitations by Miss El-
sie Jeeves and Miss Vidal Oliver. A
dialogue entitled, "How the Story
Grew," was loudly applauded by the
audience.

The school room was neatly decorated
with bunting and portraits of royalty
and prominent naval and military lead-
ers of the present day, displaying the
good taste of both teacher and pupils in
arranging them.

The prizes were distributed to the
different classes by Miss Logan and Miss
Kerr, after which the Rev. C. E. Sharpe
presented the teacher with a beautiful
gold ring, set with pearls and opals, and
a purse mounted with gold, showing
their high appreciation of their teacher's
services in her untiring efforts on their
behalf.

At the conclusion of these exercises,
Rev. C. E. Sharpe delivered a short
speech, in which he complimented teacher
and children on their very interesting
closing services, and the examination
was brought to a successful close by
singing the National Anthem.

Assisting the Poor.—Through the
efforts of the Friendly Help society,
many homes will be made brighter this
Christmas. Already the amount of
money sent to the society for the re-
lief of the poor has reached a consider-
able sum and the collection of clothing,
groceries, etc., received at the rooms of
the society is very satisfactory. Any
friends who may wish to assist are
asked to send their gifts in early tomor-
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toria Book & Stationery Co., Limited.

R. T. Williams will be a candidate for
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The Clearance Sale at "The Ster-
ling" will continue until the entire
stock is disposed of.

Off to Africa.—The many friends of
Fred Wollaston, formerly of this city,
will be surprised to hear that he is now
at Halifax en route to South Africa
with the Mounted Rifles. Mr. Wollaston
was until recently at Greenwood, but en-
listed at Fort Steele, and the news was
quite unexpected.

Police Court.—A number of minor
cases were disposed of in the police
court yesterday morning. A drunk was
fined \$2.50 or five days; Jackson, a Cow-
ichan Indian, was fined \$5 and \$1.50
costs, or 10 days, for the same offence;
Tom, a Saanich Indian, another drunk,
was fined \$5 and \$1 costs, or 10 days,
and T. Daly was assessed \$2.50 or five
days. J. Williams, charged with using
insulting language to Mr. and Mrs.
Rahy, was fined \$25, or in default, one
month's imprisonment.

Pupils' Recitals.—There were recitals
given at Miss S. F. Smith's studio on
Friday evening and yesterday afternoon,
after which there was a distribution of
presents from the Christmas tree. All
the pupils acquitted themselves admir-
ably, reflecting great credit on their
teachers. The following pupils took
part: Misses Claudia Hall, Clare
O'Brien, Marjorie Simon, Marjorie
Rome, Helen Barham, Violet Mesher,
Theresa McIver, Mabel Irvine, Rita
Gardiner, Pearl Garvin, Lottie Pearce,
Florence Spencer, Pearl Frayne, Edith
Cowper, Ethel Irvine, Vera Gosnell,
Eleanor Hamilton, Phyllis Roberts, Lavinia
Ebbers, Cecilia Himeken, Edith Helme-
ken, Mariel Hall, Chase Going,
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Issued by Major Munro, Commanding
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ing order:

"Company drill from this date will be
discontinued until Monday, the 6th day
of January, 1902.

"The following addition has been
made to paragraph 19 of the regulations
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"The Morris tube and ammunition is
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This latter ammunition is very accurate
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adian Artillery, a merry Christmas and
a happy New Year, in which the O. C.
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Daughters of Pitt.—Any members of
the Daughters of Pitt, who are able,
are asked to help with the decorations
at the Jubilee hospital on Tuesday. Any
one contributing holly, may leave it at
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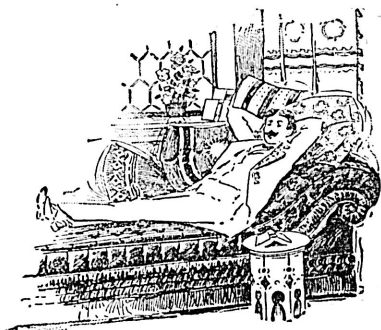
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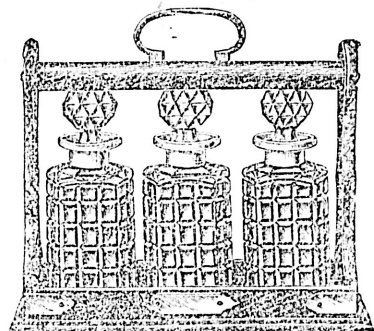
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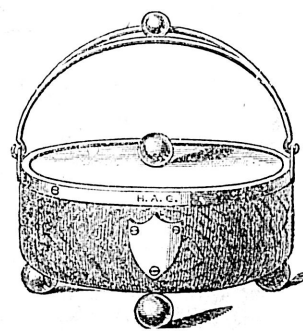


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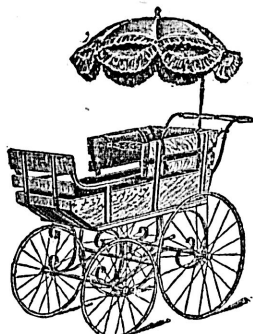
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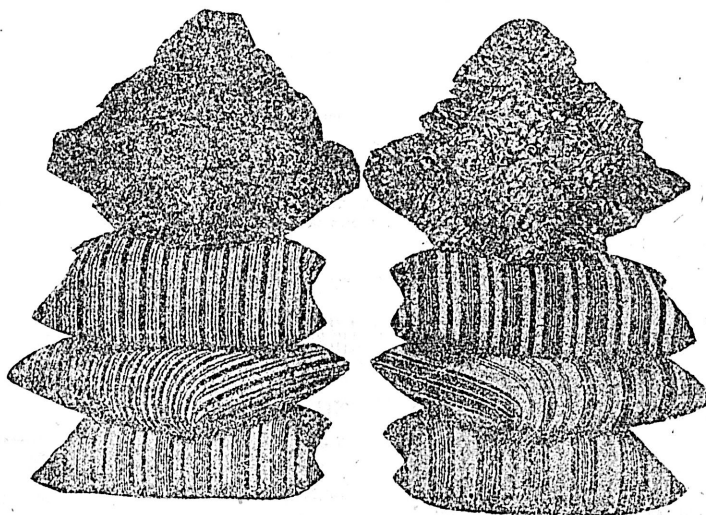
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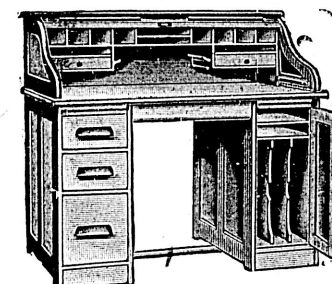
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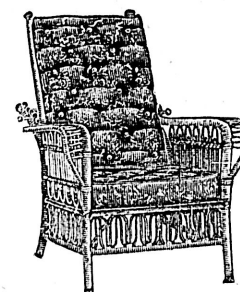
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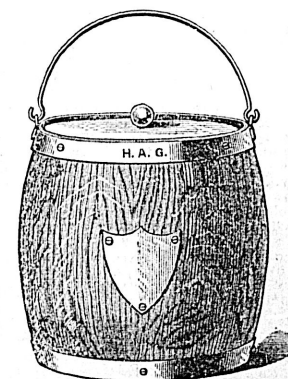
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A CHRISTMAS HYMN.

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious eve of olden years,
From angels hovering near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold:
"Peace on earth, good-will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King!"
The world in solemn stillness lay,
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heavenly hosts do float
O'er all the weary world.
Above us and below us all,
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever over us they reign,
The blessed angels sing.

Yet with the woes of sin and strife
The world has suffered long,
Beneath the angel strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong,
And man, at war with man, hears not
The love-song which they bring;
O hush the noise, ye men of strife,
And hear the angels sing!

For lo! the days are hastening on,
By prophet bards foretold,
When with the world's redemption comes
The new era of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
The conquering angels sing,
And the whole world give back the song,
Which now the angels sing.

The Christian people are about to commemorate the coming of Christ on earth, an event which was heralded as the dawn of a new era of peace on earth and good-will to men. That was over 1,900 years ago. From that time still waits Christ's mission to establish a new social order of peace and love in the mind of man. A condition attainable, but not universally accepted today. "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven." Many there are who profess conversion, but few enter into this social order. Christ taught that man should be governed by a law of love rather than a law of justice. But human nature has not changed and equity is balanced in the scales of man-made justice. If we are never the millennium, or the brotherhood of man, we know it not. The god of the world today is gold. Those who have not been bent upon holding those who have not been bent upon getting. This is called a competitive age, but there is little difference between the system of today and system of might of 2,000 years ago. The world grows older, but man no wiser. Doubt, he lives in hope and dies in despair, or may be, anticipation of the Kingdom of Heaven in the hereafter. So with the words of the poet:

Man never is, but always to be blest,
Hope springs eternal in the human breast.

In England 30,000 children die annually of starvation. Only 18 out of 100 in London are above want, and 57 out of every 100 are lacking bread.

The Saviour was born a homeless babe. He borrowed bedding and a manger from the beasts of the field. No poor child in all the earth, in all the world's history, was humbler born. The contract between the overtire of the angels, and the actual advent in that Bethlehem stable, where the human and the divine were blended in that advent. Why so humble? He was to be touched with the feeling of our infirmities. No poor mother, the earth around, he saw that the Redeemer of the world had no better welcome than her own little one. Only a little higher than the beasts of the stall! Only a little lower than the angels!—Ex.

The merchant tailors sent a deputation to the Trades council on Wednesday night to explain a communication to the council bearing on the qualification of President Logan to represent the Journeymen Tailors' union at the council. The merchants maintain that as Mr. Logan is now in business and an employer, rather than an employee, he should be classed as a representative of the employers, and not as a delegate. The matter is one which pertains to the tailors' union, and not the council. Mr. Logan is a member of the council, so far as the constitution and by-laws of that institution is concerned, and it is stated by the president of the tailors' union that there is nothing in their rules which interferes with Mr. Logan acting as a representative of their union. The president points out that delegates to the Trades council are not classed as employers of the union. Not wishing to be the cause of friction between the merchants and the tailors' union, Mr. Logan sent his resignation to the union, which has been accepted, taking effect the 1st of January.

Who shall use the union label was a theme of discussion at the Trades council last week. There are three trades in the city whose labels are of considerable benefit to users. The cigar-makers, the pioneers of the label, permit these manufacturers who strictly abide by the rules of the union the use of the label. Manufacturers may or may not be practical employers. Manufacturers who are not practical employers, shall not be entitled to the use of the label unless they have been members of the International union one year. This does not apply to members suspended for cause, but to those who are reinstated within six months of their suspension. The Tailors' union does not permit a tailor who does not employ a journeyman regularly the use of the label, whether or no he is a member of the union. This rule was followed by the printers for a long time, but has been altered, whereby a member going into business for himself may use the label, providing he observes the union's rules and pays his dues as other members.

A petition is being circulated and freely signed by business men, taxpayers and householders, asking the City council to increase the license fees on peddlars. Chinese is the class particularly obnoxious to the house wife, who from morning till night is pestered by peddlars. Fish, vegetables, crockery, dry goods, boots and shoes, etc., are vended from door to door. It is a fortunate locality where less than a dozen Chinese peddlars call daily. The business man, who has the general expenses of running a store, to accept such peddlars is a kind of competition, and it is only justice to him that peddlars should be compelled to pay well for the privilege which affords so great a handicap on the store-keeper.

The Painters and Decorators union of Victoria has voted \$10 to the striking cigarmakers of Montreal. The Cigarmakers union of Montreal have issued a note which reads: "Interesting Facts Worth Reading," setting out the situation in Montreal today.

Mr. Eden, who has an itching for writing the press and city council on questions before and not before the public, has turned his attention to the Trades and Labor council, referring communications refused publication by the press to the council. The regular business of the council is increasing rapidly, the expansion of organization, and the attention of the delegates is fully taken up with the concerns of organized labor so that it found no time to listen to Mr. Eden's troubles at its last meeting, and in consequence his communication was filed.

At the Trades and Labor meeting on Wednesday night the following resolutions were passed and referred to the Municipal committee to report upon. The resolutions are along the lines of direct legislation, making provision for the initiative and referendum:

(1) That the City council should secure legislation to the effect that any action of the council which may hereafter be vetoed by the mayor shall be submitted to the vote of the duly qualified ratepayers on request of a majority of the council present or five per cent. of the voters qualified;

(2) That any action of the council relative to taxation and expenditure of money shall be submitted to a vote of the duly qualified voters on demand of five per cent. of the voters entitled to vote on the question under consideration;

(3) That five per cent. of the voters shall have the right to frame and submit to the council any by-law deemed necessary, and the council shall receive, consider and pass upon any by-law so submitted.

The Little Broom Makers' union of Berlin, Ont., are aggressive advocates of the union label. They are flooding British Columbia with literature relative to the union label, according to which the brooms used in this province are mostly of American make or prison manufactured. What they want traders to do is to see that the union label is on the brooms they purchase.

A New York dentist has completed the filling of eleven teeth of Anna, a \$4000 saddle mare, belonging to Mrs. J. H. Seligman, a society woman. The horse was treated just like a human being, the nerves being dealt with with cocaine. Gold was used for the teeth that show and silver for the others.

Rev. A. B. Winchester opened Monday meetings for business men in Knox church, Toronto, last week. The preacher, in his first sermon said: "Today God's people are looking about them asking the meaning of the prosperity of the wicked men they see around them. The preacher does not believe that all wicked men have a hard time. He sees them on all sides, growing wealthy on the proceeds of the heart's blood of their fellows." If Mr. Winchester keeps up this kind of talk, he'll not have many prosperous business men at his Monday sessions.

The Socialists want the King of Italy's salary cut from \$3,200,000 a year to \$1,200,000.

The Municipal Labor Bureau of Montreal reports the condition of the labor market in that city very bad. The state of affairs is unprecedented in the experience of the manager.

The total number of persons employed in and about all mines in the United Kingdom at the end of the century exceeded 800,000, a rise of half a million persons in 50 years.

A great strike of ironworkers is threatened in Scotland. Some months ago wages were reduced by 10 per cent. and the Associated Ironworkers' society has since been pressing for a restoration of the former wage. It is stated that with the view of weakening the position of the ironworkers in the case of a strike, the employers are dismissing their workmen in batches.

It is announced that Tom Mann, the noted labor leader of Great Britain, will shortly leave England for New Zealand, where he will devote his exceptional abilities to the cause of labor.

Winnipeg Trades council wants a labor hall, but is afraid to face the music. Winnipeg has more trade unions than Victoria, but Victoria Trades council has what Winnipeg lacks—nerve and push.

The National Socialist party, presented an address to the American Federation of Labor at the convention recently held at St. Paul, Minn., the address, so far as it applies to trade unions, their use and limit, is a true exposition and well worth reading and thinking over.

"When a prevailing economic system becomes the very antithesis of human needs by the reason of evolution in production, the ruling class (such by virtue of previous social necessities) must prolong its obsolete economic life by the subversion of remedial laws and the application of political force. Any measure of emancipation by the subject class short of political revolution will be utterly futile and hopeless. And at best is an armistice in which the opposing forces of labor and capital confer about the terms upon which labor surrenders to capital. The price at which labor should be bought and sold is an inherently irreconcilable issue, that cannot be eternally arbitrated. The difference between compulsory arbitration and voluntary arbitration is the difference between being robbed according to government or being robbed according to agreement. While the trade union movement has grown in numbers, influence, and resources; while it has raised wages, reduced hours, eradicated abuses, educated and fraternized humanity, and tended to the establishment of a better standard of living among the organized toilers—has accomplished these results in spite of the political powers of the ruling class—progress along this line is being gradually arrested by utter disregard for free institutions and gross misuse of public power by the capitalist class. The before-mentioned achievements of economic organization have been neutralized by economic effects having their inherent cause in the capitalist system: thus: "A" Through trade unionism we may increase wages and reduce the daily hours of toil, but we cannot dictate to

the capitalist class how many days in the year they must employ us. In 198 organized trades in the United States there are only 29 in which the workers are employed 300 days in the year.

"B" While the union has the power to increase wages, self-preservation requires the capitalist class to charge all the profit the market will bear.

"C" Through the introduction of machinery (due to modern trust methods), where one worker obtains employment in a new industry, eight workers are displaced with in former vocations. The capitalist class introduces labor-saving machinery more rapidly in general than the trade unions reduce hours.

"D"—In declaring that wages will never be regarded as the equivalent of labor, the trade unions proclaim that the worker should receive the full product of his toil. It is self-evident that the workers cannot redeem the sum total of capital by a fraction in wages, while in addition, the latter must competition tends to a mere level of subsistence. The consequent crisis with each decade is therefore inevitable.

"E"—Self-perpetuation, which impels the capitalist class through its actions issued by service courts to repress the powers of trade unions, has injected a vital political issue into a heretofore economic organization. While the trade union cannot act as a political party, the possession of the public powers dictated by self-preservation requires the trade unionist to form his class political party in order to safeguard his economic organization."

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IN a Prairie Hamlet, far from the maddening Department Store, where arrogant Wealth did not flaunt itself before the Humble, and where the People were so Primitive that they did not know how to get Money except by Working for it, they were making large Preparations to tear Tissues wide open at Christmas.

There was to be a Tree at the Church and preceding the Distribution of Presents, the e was to be a Show, and a Methodist Vaudeville, which consisted of the best that the Choir can do. The Drugist in this Village had laid in what he called an Elegant Assortment of Holiday Goods. He had all of Will Carleton's Poems and a Counter covered with fragile Toys that smelled of Paint, and an attractive Line of Perfumery and some Toilet Sets. One of these Toilet Sets was a Prize Exhibit of his Stock. The Saint and the Church were in a cold, the Amber and White being scrambled in a very effective Manner. The Drugist was willing to give a Guarantee that the Brushes were Real. This was a great success. The Yellow Satin, the Box was of Blue Plush with a neat Clasp and on the Lid was the following in Silver Letters: "Merry X-Mas."

Every Household the Toilet Set was a fruitful Topic. The general Verdict appeared to be that, in all probability, the Drugist would either have to knock off something on the Price or else be forced to have one or two Ornaments of \$5 for the Piece de Resistance, but the Drugist claimed that he had paid more than that for it. Wholesale. Three Days before Christmas there appeared on the Yellow Satin a Card which read "Sold." The News spread like Wild-Fire that some one had blown himself to the Limit. There was but one Question: agitating the whole Village for the next two Days. "Who was the Toilet Set?" "Christmas?" Speculation ran high and every Girl who kept Company was hoping against Hope, even though her cold Judgment told her that, in all likelihood, her Fellow had not seen \$5.00. The Drugist had been peddling to Secrecy and it became evident that the Populace would have to wait until Christmas to have its Curiosity appeased. So it waited with a lot of Impatience.

The Village Wag, whose name was Amos, had been one of Several who looked at the Toilet Set and counted their Money and decided that they would have a Girl named Luella, but he had a Frugal Mind. It seemed to him that it would be more Sensible to save his Money and make a First Payment on a Home. Besides, the Country Business had been a little slack and he couldn't see himself giving up \$5.00 for a dish-burned Gluehack that was no Account except to look at. So he gave up 60 Cents for an Autograph Album and he went on at that. He would have to be ahead and bought something for a Dollar, only Amos thought he had a Catch. His only rival for the Hand of Luella was Tallmadge N. Crockett, proprietor of the Livery and Feed Stable. Amos was so much more Comic and Conversational than Tallmadge and had such a Taking Way that he wasn't for a Minute at all of being out of Luella's hands.

Amos borrowed a Buffalo Robe, a Strand of Beils and a Fur Cap. He rigged up a set of Cotton Whiskers and prepared to lead a more festive life than usual. On Christmas Eve the Church put them in the Aisles, so great was the Interest in the Tree. The Superintendent of the Sunday School, looking unusually

pale and scrubbed-up and smelling of Bay Rum, stood up in front of the Tree and made an address that was facetious, from his Point of View. The Choir sang one of its latest Anthems after two or three other Stunts, Amos, the Merry Andrew, came in as Santa Claus and did some of his best Comedy Acting. He galloped up and down the Aisles and scared several Children in Arms into Convulsions. Then he went up to the Tree to assist the droll Superintendent in distributing Presents. As a Team they were expected to spring Luella many times Quips, right at the Spur of the Moment.

While standing by the Tree, waiting for the Infant Class to conclude a Carol, Amos saw on a Table the magnificent Toilet Set, with the \$5.00 Mark still on it. He drew nearer to read the attached Card and almost fainted with Horror when he saw the Name of Luella in the well-known Hand-Writing of Tallmadge N. Crockett. The Shock was so great that everything Swam before his Eyes, the same as in a Nataratorium. He could not see anything except his own Finish. When Luella came to comfort the superb Toilet Set and the 60-cent Autograph Album, he knew that he would not see anything except his own Finish. When Luella came to comfort the superb Toilet Set and the 60-cent Autograph Album, he knew that he would not see anything except his own Finish. When Luella came to comfort the superb Toilet Set and the 60-cent Autograph Album, he knew that he would not see anything except his own Finish.

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